Chapter 2.04

CITY COUNCIL

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Meetings of the council for special purposes may be called by the mayor or in the mayor's absence the president of the council, whenever, in their opinion such special meeting is necessary or advisable and upon one-hour oral notice to all council members and the media. (Ord. 357 § 1, 2002; prior code § 1.0201)

2.04.020 Assuming expenses.

Whenever a special meeting is called at the request of an individual or group of individuals, other than the members of the council, the expense of the meeting may be assessed to those so requesting the meeting. (Ord. 357 § 2, 2002; prior code § 1.0202)

2.04.030 Judge of Qualifications, Power of Council, Disciplinary Actions

The City Council shall be the judge of the election and qualifications of its members and of the grounds for forfeiture of their office. The Council shall have the power to set additional standards of conduct for its members beyond those specified under state law and may provide for such penalties as it deems appropriate, including forfeiture of office, temporary suspension not to exceed three months, censure or other disciplinary action.

In order to exercise these powers, the Council shall have power to subpoena witnesses, administer oaths, and require the production of evidence.

A member charged with conduct constituting grounds for forfeiture of office shall be entitled to a public hearing on demand, and notice of such hearing shall be published in one or more newspapers of general circulation in the City at least seven days in advance of the hearing. More specific procedures may be adopted by the Council prior to said hearing. Any decision made by the Council under this section may be subject to judicial review.

Pursuant to state law in order to expel a council member a favorable vote of two-thirds majority of the council is required after a public hearing is held pursuant to this ordinance. Adoption of any other disciplinary measure including but not limited to temporary suspension, censure or other action requires a favorable vote of a majority of the council members. (Amended 2007)